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ADDITIONAL FACTORS

NPIC'S R&D ACCOUNT IS PROVIDED FROM FUNDS FROM THE AGENCY. CUTS HAVE BEEN APPLIED EXTENSIVELY TO AGENCY R&D WITHIN THE PAST TWO YEARS. R&D MONEY IS BECOMING SHORT IN OTHER AGENCIES AS WELL.

COMIREX AND EXRAND CAN BE OF IMPORTANCE TO NPIC IN HELPING TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES FOR R&D WORK.

FOR THOSE TASKS STILL DEEMED IMPORTANT BUT NOT POSSIBLE TO PURSUE BECAUSE OF MONEY LIMITATIONS, EXRAND CAN HELP BY SERVING AS A BROKER IN URGING OTHER AGENCIES TO PICK UP WHAT NPIC CANNOT.

NPIC WILL IN GOOD FAITH BRIEF COMIREX AND EXRAND IN DETAIL PERIODICALLY ON THE STATUS OF R&D EFFORTS. IN GENERAL NPIC WILL NOT APPEAR BEFORE EXRAND UNTIL IT HAS ARRIVED AT AN OFFICIAL NPIC POSITION. EXRAND JUDGMENTS AND COMMENTS MAY BE REQUESTED FROM TIME TO TIME AS PART OF THE PROCESS WHICH NPIC MAY USE IN MAKING DECISIONS ON R&D PROGRAMS.

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